

Firside Update

6
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"Become the best you can be!"

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to our second Firside Update. I hope you find it informative and please do not hesitate to let me know if there are other features you would like to see.

Next week you will receive the Firside Newsletter which again should be full of information about events in the school. For that reason I will keep my part brief this week but I do need to raise a very serious matter which could have far reaching effects. A few of my staff colleagues have seen parents/carers/grandparents in the classroom areas of the school. I did say that this practice must stop as it compromises the school safeguarding procedures. This time the problem was even greater as a male parent was seen coming out of the girls changing room/toilet and others seen in boys changing areas. I am sure I do not have to say how serious this could be for the person concerned if a child made an allegation true or false. Please do not enter the main school area unless by prior appointment and accompanied by a member of staff.

As ever at this time of year keep an eye on the weather and an ear on local radio stations, but unless the school has disappeared under snow I rarely shut.

Have a good weekend.

Gerard Batty
Headteacher

Stars of the Week

Y6	Gabrielle Bird Callum Harper Rosie McNarry	Lili-Ella Bush Angel Horth Ella Rogers
Y5	Holly Baker Ben Clarke Alice Daniels Toby Penrose Lucy Silvester Charlie Wilson	Emily Cullingford George Felstead Zachary Mace Barney Pigott Abbie Watker
Y4	Macy Canwell Jaydon Lea	Freya Cullum Leah Scott
Y3	Rio Brown Caitlin Hewitt Evan Leach Charlie Pennell Alan Wuksta	Lene Hall Jayden Horth Bradley King Logan Sharman

Today your child has been given their half year report for you to read. With this report you will find a Parents' Evening slip. If you wish to have an appointment with your child's teacher please complete the slip and return it to the teacher or the office as soon as possible. If you are unable to attend on either 24th or 25th February you are still welcome to make an appointment – just contact the office.

Firside Junior School Offer



1 month free

Fusion Kung Fu

- Fun & Fitness
- Concentration
- Anti-Bullying
- Confidence
- Respect
- Focus

Aged 8-13 (boys & girls)
Mondays & Thursdays at Firside
5:30pm – 6:15pm

Call: Keith on 07796133340
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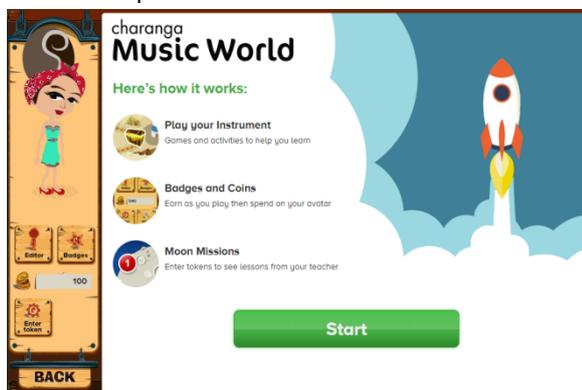
NAMING CLOTHING – We collect lots of lost property which we cannot return to children as it is not named. Please name everything clearly!

Children in Year 3 now have access to **Charanga Music World**, a safe online space, where they can go to learn, explore and develop playing their recorder and musicianship skills.

Miss Hill will shortly be assigning a Moon Mission for you to complete at home.

Next week your child will receive a letter about being able to take their recorder home to support their exploration of Music World.

Star Musician - Harry Needs in 3LH has completed an astonishing five hours and forty-two minutes!



SLF's La Boheme - This half term we have started an opera project based on Puccini's *La Boheme* with the Theatre Royal's *Norfolk Schools Project*. As we said it is only based on *La Boheme*, we have to create the story along with the music. Our homework, for a couple of weeks was to write a poem (which we can turn into the lyrics of our songs) and a diary entry imagining we were one of the six friends. The main characters are Ruby, Ashley and their four friends. We have had several workshops. We listened to Lyndsay's opera piece, which was in Italian, so none of us understood the tiniest scrap. Luckily we don't have to sing much Italian but we do have to sing a verse. We have to perform on stage at the Theatre Royal alongside two other schools. Each school designs the tops (we have all designed one and given it to our class teacher Mrs Latimer). Although we have part-time teachers, Mrs Latimer is doing it with us (Sorry Ms Fisher). Mrs Latimer is very pleased that our class is able to be involved in this project. While some children are anxious about this project, others are itching to get up on stage and show off their talents. Overall we are very happy we've been given this new experience – not new for some though! This is one of the amazing opportunities we get at Firside Junior School.

Written by Ruby Morgan & George Elsegood.



Today's **Freedom from Uniform** has raised over £300 for the **British Heart Foundation**, so far! If you forgot your £1 please bring it in on Monday and we will then give you a final total. Thank you to everyone for your generosity and imaginative interpretations! →

